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NOTE BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

Simplification of the list of matters of which the Security Council is seized (rule 11 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council)

1. As part of their efforts to improve the documentation of the Security Council, the members of the Council have further discussed the application of the note by the President of the Council of 30 July 1996 (S/1996/603*) in the light of the comments made by several members of the Organization to the President of the Council.

2. With reference to paragraphs 2 and 3 of the note by the President of the Security Council of 30 July 1996, the Council has decided that no item will be deleted from the list of matters of which the Council is seized without the prior consent of the Member States concerned in accordance with the following procedure:

(a) The annual summary statement issued in January of each year by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Council is seized will identify the items to be deleted from the list in the absence of any notification by a Member State by the end of February of the year in question;

(b) If a Member State of the United Nations notifies the Secretary-General that it wishes an item to remain on the list, that item will be retained;

(c) The notification will remain in effect for one year and can be renewed annually.

3. In this connection, the members of the Security Council recalled the Council's primary responsibility under Article 24 of the Charter for the maintenance of international peace and security as well as its own responsibility with regard to the implementation of its resolutions.

4. The list of matters of which the Council is seized is attached.

5. Notifications received by 15 September 1996 in accordance with paragraph 3 of document S/1996/603* will remain in effect until the issuance of the Secretary-General's annual summary statement of January 1998.

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Annex

LIST OF MATTERS OF WHICH THE SECURITY COUNCIL IS SEIZED

The list of matters of which the Security Council is seized as at 29 August 1996 1/ is as follows:

1. Special agreements under Article 43 of the Charter and the organization of the armed forces to be made available to the Security Council

2. Rules of procedure of the Security Council

3. The Palestine question

4. The India-Pakistan question

5. The Hyderabad question

6. Letter dated 20 February 1958 from the representative of the Sudan addressed to the Secretary-General

7. Letter dated 11 July 1960 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cuba addressed to the President of the Security Council

8. Letter dated 31 December 1960 from the Minister for External Affairs of Cuba addressed to the President of the Security Council

9. Complaint by Kuwait in respect of the situation arising from the threat by Iraq to the territorial independence of Kuwait, which is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security. Complaint by the Government of the Republic of Iraq in respect of the situation arising out of the armed threat by the United Kingdom to the independence and security of Iraq, which is likely to endanger the maintenance of international peace and security

10. Letter dated 5 September 1964 from the Permanent Representative of Greece addressed to the President of the Security Council and letter dated 8 September 1964 from the Permanent Representative of Greece addressed to the President of the Security Council

11. Letter dated 6 September 1964 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey addressed to the President of the Security Council

12. The situation in the Middle East

13. The situation in the India/Pakistan subcontinent

14. Letter dated 3 December 1971 from the Permanent Representatives of Algeria, Iraq, the Libyan Arab Republic and the People's Democratic

Republic of Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

15. Complaint by Cuba

16. Arrangements for the proposed Peace Conference on the Middle East

17. Complaint by Iraq concerning incidents on its frontier with Iran

18. The situation in Cyprus

19. The situation concerning Western Sahara

20. The situation in Timor

21. The Middle East problem including the Palestinian question

22. The situation in the Comoros

23. Request by the Libyan Arab Republic and Pakistan for consideration of the serious situation arising from recent developments in the occupied Arab territories

24. The situation in the occupied Arab territories

25. The question of the exercise by the Palestinian people of its inalienable rights

26. Complaint by the Prime Minister of Mauritius, current Chairman of the Organization of African Unity, of the "act of aggression" by Israel against the Republic of Uganda

27. Complaint by Greece against Turkey

28. Complaint by Benin

29. The situation between Iran and Iraq

30. Complaint by Iraq

31. Letter dated 19 February 1983 from the Permanent Representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

32. Letter dated 8 August 1983 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

33. Letter dated 1 September 1983 from the Acting Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 1 September 1983 from the Permanent Observer for the Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 1 September 1983 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 1 September 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 2 September 1983 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

34. Letter dated 22 March 1984 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

35. Letter dated 21 May 1984 from the representatives of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates addressed to the President of the Security Council

36. Letter dated 3 October 1984 from the Permanent Representative of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

37. Letter dated 1 October 1985 from the Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

38. Letter dated 4 February 1986 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

39. Letter dated 25 March 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Malta to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 25 March 1986 from the Permanent Representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 26 March 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

40. Letter dated 12 April 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Malta to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

41. Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

    Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

    Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

    Letter dated 15 April 1986 from the Permanent Representative of Oman to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

42. Letter dated 10 February 1988 from the Permanent Observer of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

    Letter dated 10 February 1988 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

43. Letter dated 19 April 1988 from the Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

44. Letter dated 17 December 1988 from the Permanent Representative of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

    Letter dated 17 December 1988 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

45. Letter dated 4 January 1989 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

    Letter dated 4 January 1989 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

46. Central America: efforts towards peace

47. Letter dated 2 February 1990 from the Permanent Representative of Cuba to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

48. United Nations peace-keeping operations

49. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

50. The situation in Cambodia

51. The situation in Liberia

52. Letter dated 2 April 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 4 April 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

53. Letter dated 17 May 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Angola to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission

54. Letter dated 19 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 19 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 20 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Hungary to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 24 September 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Yugoslavia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

55. Letter dated 24 November 1991 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 21 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 26 November 1991 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

56. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 721 (1991)

57. Oral report of the Secretary-General pursuant to his report of 5 January 1992

58. Further reports of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 721 (1991)

59. Letter dated 20 January 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Somalia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

60. (a) The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

(b) Letter dated 2 April 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 4 April 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 5 March 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

61. The situation in Somalia

62. Further report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II)

63. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 743 (1992)

64. Letter dated 23 April 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 24 April 1992 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

65. The situation relating to Nagorny Karabakh

66. Further report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 749 (1992)

67. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 752 (1992)

Letter dated 26 May 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 27 May 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council

68. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 757 (1992)

69. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 15 of Security Council resolution 757 (1992) and paragraph 10 of Security Council resolution 758 (1992)

70. Oral reports by the Secretary-General on 26 and 29 June 1992 pursuant to Security Council resolution 758 (1992)

71. Further report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 752 (1992)

72. An agenda for peace: preventive diplomacy, peacemaking and peace-keeping

73. Further report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolutions 757 (1992), 758 (1992) and 761 (1992)

74. Letter dated 11 July 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 12 July 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Croatia addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 July 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 July 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Slovenia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 17 July 1992 from the Permanent Representatives of Belgium, France and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

75. Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

76. Letter dated 4 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the United States Mission to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 4 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Venezuela to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

77. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 762 (1992)

78. Letter dated 7 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 7 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 7 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 7 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the United States Mission to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

79. Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 12 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the Comoros to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

80. Letter dated 28 August 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

81. Letter dated 24 August 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

82. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina 2/

83. Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

84. Draft resolution contained in document S/24570

85. Further report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolutions 743 (1992) and 762 (1992)

86. Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Senegal to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 10 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 11 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Pakistan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 12 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Egypt to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Bahrain to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of the Comoros to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 13 August 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Qatar to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 5 October 1992 from the Permanent Representatives of Egypt, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Saudi Arabia, Senegal and Turkey addressed to the President of the Security Council

87. Oral report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Angola Verification Mission (UNAVEM II)

88. The situation in Georgia

89. The situation in Mozambique

90. Letter dated 27 October 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

91. Letter dated 29 October 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

92. The situation in Tajikistan

93. (a) The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

(b) Letter dated 2 April 1991 from the Permanent Representative of Turkey to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 4 April 1991 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 5 March 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 3 August 1992 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 19 November 1992 from the Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

94. Report of the Secretary-General on the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

95. Letter dated 18 December 1992 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

96. The situation prevailing in and adjacent to the United Nations Protected Areas in Croatia

97. The situation in Angola

98. Further report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 743 (1992)

99. Establishment of an international tribunal for the prosecution of persons responsible for serious violations of international humanitarian law committed in the territory of the former Yugoslavia

100. The situation concerning Rwanda

101. Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to Security Council resolution 807 (1992)

102. Participation of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) in the work of the Economic and Social Council

103. Letter dated 12 March 1993 from the Permanent Representative of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council

Letter dated 19 March 1993 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

Note by the Secretary-General

104. The question concerning Haiti

105. The situation in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

106. Applications made under Article 50 of the Charter of the United Nations as a consequence of the implementation of measures imposed against the former Yugoslavia

107. Follow-up to resolution 817 (1993)

108. United Nations Protection Force

109. Complaint by Ukraine regarding the decree of the Supreme Soviet of the Russian Federation concerning Sevastopol

110. Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe missions in Kosovo, Sandjak and Vojvodina, the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)

111. The situation in Tajikistan and along the Tajik-Afghan border

112. The situation in Croatia

113. Security of United Nations operations

114. Navigation on the Danube river in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro)

115. The situation in Burundi

116. Letters dated 20 and 23 December 1991 from France, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America

117. The situation in Afghanistan

118. Note by the Secretary-General (S/1994/254)

Note by the Secretary-General (S/1994/322)

119. Agreement signed on 4 April 1994 between the Governments of Chad and the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya concerning the practical modalities for the implementation of the Judgment delivered by the International Court of Justice on 3 February 1994

120. Note by the Secretary-General transmitting a letter dated 27 May 1994 from the Director General of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) addressed to the Secretary-General (S/1994/631)

121. The situation in the Republic of Yemen

122. An agenda for peace: peace-keeping

123. Agreed framework of 21 October 1994 between the United States of America and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea

124. The situation prevailing in and around the safe area of Bihac

125. Letter dated 14 December 1994 from the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 724 (1991) concerning Yugoslavia addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/1994/1418)

126. Security Council working methods and procedure

127. An agenda for peace

128. The proposal by China, France, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America on security assurances

129. Navigation on the Danube river

130. The situation in the former Yugoslavia

131. The situation in Sierra Leone

132. Letter dated 9 January 1996 from the Permanent Representative of Ethiopia to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council concerning the extradition of the suspects wanted in the assassination attempt on the life of the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, on 26 June 1995 (S/1996/10) 3/

133. Shooting down of two civil aircraft on 24 February 1996 4/

134. International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia

International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States

Appointment of the Prosecutor 5/

135. Signature of the African Nuclear-Weapon-Free Zone Treaty (Treaty of Pelindaba) 6/

136. International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia 7/

137. Demining in the context of United Nations peace-keeping 8/

Notes

1/ The above list of matters consists of the matters contained in paragraph 13 of document S/1996/15 of 11 January 1996, minus items 3, 4, 57 and 125 of that list, which were removed by the decision of the Security Council set forth in the note by the President of the Security Council of 24 January 1996 (S/1996/55), plus items 132 to 137 of the present list, to which notes 3 to 8 hereunder apply.

2/ Reformulation used as of the 3647th meeting, held on 4 April 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.13).

3/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3627th meeting, held on 31 January 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.4).

4/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3634th meeting, held on 26 February 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.8).

5/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3637th meeting, held on 29 February 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.8).

6/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3651st meeting, held on 12 April 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.14).

7/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3663rd meeting, held on 8 May 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.18).

8/ The matter was included in the Council's agenda at the 3689th meeting, held on 15 August 1996 (see S/1996/15/Add.32).